

FREDERICK COUNTY LIQUOR BOARD
Public Meeting Minutes
Monday, July 11, 2011

Those Present: Mr. James E. McClellan, Chairman
Mr. Charles R. Cline, Board Member
Mr. Richard E. Zimmerman, Board Member
Mrs. Linda B. Thall, Sr. Assistant County Attorney
Ms. Kathy L. Vahle, Administrator
Mr. Harold C. DeLauter, Alcoholic Bev. Inspector
Mrs. Sandra Rees, Administrative Specialist IV
Mrs. Ashley Sklarew, Administrative Specialist IV

A Public Meeting was held at 12 E. Church Street, Frederick, Maryland, and was called to order at 8:00 am by Chairman McClellan.

1. **Shab Row Bistro** – Ms. Vahle stated this establishment has a Violation Hearing scheduled for July 18th, 2011 for Sales To Minors. She received a request from this establishment for a change in ownership due to unforeseen circumstances and to eliminate one of the people on the license. The licensees have voted Mr. King out of the LLC. They would like to go forward with the Violation Hearing without Mr. King being present. The Board decided to go forward with the Violation Hearing with or without Mr. King.
2. **Little's Tavern & Brookside Inn** – There were corrections made to these reports. The people who submitted the complaints were not willing to testify. Ms. Vahle stated that there is little the Board can do without testimony.
3. **New Commissioner** – Mr. Cline welcomed Mr. Zimmerman to the Board.
4. **Elect a Chairman** – Mr. Cline nominated Mr. McClellan as Chairman.

MOTION ONE: Mr. Cline made a motion to elect Mr. McClellan as Chairman of the Liquor Board.

SECOND: Mr. Zimmerman seconded the motion.

FURTHER DISCUSSION

ON THE MOTION: There was no further discussion on the motion.

VOTE: Mr. Cline – Aye
Mr. Zimmerman – Aye

The vote was unanimous. **Aye – 2 Nay – 0**
(Motion Passed)

5. **Change in Hearing Time** – Mr. Cline discussed changing the Hearing time back to 8:30 AM. The Board agreed to return to that starting time.
6. **Vote by Poll** – Mr. Cline requested that any requests from the licensees be discussed at the Hearings whenever scheduled unless there is emergency. Ms. Vahle stated she is doing that now.
7. **No Contest Fines** – Mr. Cline asked if Ms. Vahle had explained the application process to Mr. Zimmerman. Ms. Vahle has explained the process to Mr. Zimmerman.
8. Decision Required: Transfer

TRANSFER FROM:

RE: Hiren Shingala for the use of
KHS, INC. t/a Castle Liquors
1312 S. Main St., Suite 8
Mount Airy, MD 21771
Class A, Off Sale, Beer, Wine and
Liquor, Sunday Permit, Beer & Wine
Tasting

TRANSFER TO:

RE: Vinodkumar Rajpara and
Hiren Shingala for the use of
Castle Liquors LLC
t/a Castle Liquors
1312 S. Main St., Suite 8
Mount Airy, MD 21771
Class A, Off Sale, Beer, Wine and
Liquor, Sunday Permit, Beer &
Wine Tasting

The Board held a hearing for a transfer of a license. Ms. Vahle swore in the applicants (See attached Sign In Sheet). The pending

items is the Fire Marshal's approval. The Liquor Inspector stated that they are compliant.

MOTION ONE: Mr. Cline made a motion for approval of the license.

SECOND: Mr. Zimmerman seconded the motion.

FURTHER DISCUSSION

ON THE MOTION: There was no further discussion on the motion.

VOTE: Mr. Cline – Aye
Mr. Zimmerman – Aye
Mr. McClellan – Aye

The vote was unanimous. **Aye – 3 Nay – 0**
(Motion Passed)

9. Decision Required: Transfer

TRANSFER FROM:

RE: Steven S. Batcheller, Bonnie Swanson and Craig Swiney for the use of Musket Ridge Golf Club, LLC t/a Musket Ridge Golf Club, LLC
3555 Brethren Church Rd.
Myersville, MD 21773
Class C, On Sale, Beer, Wine and Liquor

TRANSFER TO:

RE: Paul Beckner, Bonnie Swanson and Craig Swiney for the use of Musket Ridge Holding, LLC t/a Musket Ridge Golf Course
3555 Brethren Church Rd.
Myersville, MD 21773
Class C, On Sale, Beer, Wine and Liquor

The Board held a hearing for a new license. Ms. Vahle swore in the applicants (See attached Sign In Sheet). The pending items are: the Fire Marshal's approval and the Bulk Transfer permit. The

Liquor Inspector stated that they are compliant. Mr. Zimmerman stated he has known Bonnie Swanson and her husband for many years but he feels that their relationship will not affect his fair and impartial decision today.

MOTION ONE: Mr. Zimmerman made a motion for a conditional approval until August 15, 2011.

SECOND: Mr. Cline seconded the motion.

FURTHER DISCUSSION

ON THE MOTION: There was no further discussion on the motion.

VOTE: Mr. Zimmerman – Aye
Mr. Cline – Aye
Mr. McClellan – Aye

The vote was unanimous. **Aye – 3 Nay – 0**
(Motion Passed)

10. Decision Required: Approval of the Public Meeting Minutes for June 13, 2011.

The Public Meeting Minutes of June 13, 2011 were approved.

MOTION: Mr. Cline made a motion to approve the minutes for June 13, 2011.

SECOND: Mr. McClellan seconded the motion.

FURTHER DISCUSSION

ON THE MOTION: There was no further discussion on the motion.

VOTE: Mr. Cline – Aye
Mr. McClellan-Aye

The vote was unanimous. **Aye – 2 Nay – 0**
(Motion Passed)

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 8:41 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Vahle, Administrator
FREDERICK COUNTY LIQUOR BOARD

Prepared by Sandra Rees